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SUBJECT: US-EC INDUSTRIAL POLICY DISCUSSIONS

REFS: A) EC BRUSSELS 5186; B) STATE 139029

1. ON JULY 25 LOERKE, THE EC COMMISSIONS'S U.S. DESK OFFICER, TOLD A MISSION OFFICER THAT IT HAD NOT BEEN POSSIBLE TO GET SPINELLI, THE EC COMMISSIONER RESPONSIBLE FOR INDUSTRIAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL MATTERS, TO FOCUS ON SPECIFIC DATES FOR THE US-EC INDUSTRIAL POLICY DISCUSSIONS. LERKE SUGGESTED THAT DEPUTY ASSISTANT
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SECRETARY FOX INDICATE THE DATES IN OCTOBER THAT HE

PREFERS, AND THAT THE COMMISSION THEN RESPOND. LOERKE
THOUGHT THAT THERE WOULD BE NO REAL PROBLEM IN REACHING
AGREEMENT.

2. IN ADDITION TO THE THINKING GOING ON IN THE DIRECTORATE
GENERAL FOR INDUSTRIAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL AFFAIRS, OFFICIALS
IN THE DIRECTORATE GENERAL FOR INTERNAL MARKET ARE WORKING
ON PROPOSALS FOR THE AGENDA OF THESE DISCUSSIONS. WE SHALL
TRANSMIT THESE AS RECEIVED. IT SHOULD BE MADE CLEAR, HOWEVER,
THAT THESE PROPOSALS ARE ADDITIONAL TO THE SUBJECTS PROPOSED
BY THE U.S. IN REF B. THE COMMISSION APPEARS WILLING TO
DISCUSS ALL OF THESE SUBJECTS. IT, HOWEVER, HAS SOME IDEAS
OF ITS WON TO ADD.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: THE MISSION REQUESTS THAT WASHINGTON
PROPOSE SPECIFIC DATES FOR THE INDUSTRIAL POLICY DISCUSSIONS.
IN SO DOING, IT MIGHT BE DESIRABLE TO KEEP IN MIND THE
COMMISSION PROPOSAL THAT US-EC AGRICULTURAL DISCUSSIONS TAKE
PLACE THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 30. IT MIGHT, ON THE ONE HAND,
BE CONVENIENT FOR ANY U.S. PARTICIPANT IN BOTH DISCUSSIONS
TO HAVE THE MEETINGS SCHEDULED CONSECUTIVELY. ON THE OTHER
HAND, SINCE AT LEAST ON PRINCIPAL EC COMMISSION OFFICIAL,
HIJZEN, WILL BE PARTICIPATING IN BOTH SETS OF MEETINGS, THEY
CANNOT BE SCHEDULED FOR THE SAME DAYS. GREENWALD

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